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AFRICAN AMERICAN CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SUBCOMMITTEE

May 17, 2019
10:00 AM

Governor's Office of Youth, Faith, and Family
1700 W Washington St Suite 230, Conference Room B
Phoenix, AZ 85007

A general meeting of the African American Children and Families Subcommittee was convened on May 17-, 2019, at the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith, and Family, Suite 230, Conference Room B, Phoenix, Arizona, 85007.
Notice having been duly given.

Members Present (7)	
Roy Dawson, Chair	
Judy Krysik	
Linda Morris (on the phone)	
Teresa Toney	
Leslie Reprogle (on the phone)	
Julie O'Dell (on the phone)	
George Khalaf (on the phone)	
Members Absent (0)	Staff and Guest Present (1)
	Terrilyn Miller (staff)
	Pamela Williams
	Shawn Dick

MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Mr. Roy Dawson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:06 AM with seven members present and no members absent.

2. Welcome/Introductions

Mr. Dawson gave a welcome and asked everyone to introduce themselves.

3. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Dawson requested a review of the March 15, 2019 meeting minutes and the March 21, 2019 Focus Group minutes. Dr. Judy Krysik moved to approve the March 15th minutes as amended. Ms. Teresa Toney seconded the motion. Motion passed with unanimous vote. Dr. Krysik moved to approve the March 21st minutes as amended. Ms. Toney seconded the motion. Motion passed with unanimous vote.

4. Focus Group Discussion and Report

Mr. Dawson thanked Judy Krysik for the Arizona State University (ASU) students who took notes during the Focus Group. He asked the Subcommittee members who had attended the Focus Group to provide their feedback. Members who were present said the attendees were passionate, open and willing to share. They agreed that communities need to have a venue to purge and share. They added that people in the audience wanted to speak and that Mr. Dawson and Dr. Krysik were flexible and provided an opportunity for those individuals. It was mentioned the Focus Group was a hybrid, and more of a community forum, but the output was consistent with a focus group.

Dr. Krysik suggested someone else lead the next Focus Group discussions and that she would take notes. Ms. Morris and Ms. Toney agreed to lead and will decide which of the Focus Groups they each will take. All the members discussed what the attendees needed and wanted and how to get more people engaged. Mrs. Leslie Repogle suggested the Kids Consortium could help get the word out to agencies that have foster care contracts that would then identify target populations in their networks to invite to the Focus Groups. Other recommendations included sending invites to churches and utilizing each subcommittee member's network. Members agreed the participants at each of the Focus Groups could be from any of the three zip code areas instead of each Focus Group targeting a specific zip code. It was decided the next Focus Group would be for service providers to speak and the third Focus Group would be for people in the community again.

A three month timeline was established in order to prioritize the goal of completing the project by putting together the Focus Group findings with other pieces of data that have been identified:

- Ms. Teresa Toney will contact the Roosevelt School District for use of the Verna McClain Wellness Center for the service provider Focus Group to be held in June.
- Ms. Linda Morris will ask Reverend Aubrey Barnwell, the Senior Pastor at First New Life Church, for use of the facility for the community Focus Group to be held in July.
- The month of August will be spent completing a draft of the compiled report.

5. Future Meeting Date

Mr. Dawson noted the next meeting is scheduled for June 21st.

6. Call to the Public

Mr. Dawson made a call to the public. Ms. Pamela Williams shared her experiences trying to navigate the foster care system as a grandparent and her desire to understand how they system works.

7. Adjourn

Mr. Dawson requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Toney moved to adjourn. Motion seconded by Ms. Repogle at 10:56 AM with no dissenting votes.